

DOCTOR WILSON ON SECESSION

The Great Publicist Says Both Sections Were Right at the Time.

LOGIC OF WORDS AND OF EVENTS

The South Influenced by One and the North by the Other—The Subject, "Written Constitutions," Discussed in An Able Manner.

Another large and representative audience gathered in the chapel of Richmond College last night to hear the third of the series of lectures under the Thomas Museum Lecture Endowment by Dr. Woodrow Wilson.

DR. WILSON'S LECTURE

Dr. Wilson spoke in substance as follows:

We have in the United States a very specialized notion of a Constitution, which means but in the notion of a document, a written fundamental law.

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FROM CHARTERS

As a matter of fact, the original thirteen States which formed the Union, had charters before they had constitutions, and when the Revolution came they merely transformed their charters into constitutions.

The State constitutions were a gift of power, not from a government, but from a community, and were more in their nature like constitutions of liberty, as we have before defined them.

THE SUPREMACY LAW

The supreme law was to be the constitution, which the legislature could not change. Lawyers were to recognize a sharp distinction between ordinary laws and fundamental laws and were to legislate by the question whether it was in conformity with the written grant of powers, under which the legislatures were to act.

OUR CONSTITUTION

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articles of confederation and the Constitution of the United States. That Constitution is not a mere body of amendments to the articles in whole, but cannot even be said to have any legal connection whatever with these articles.

Our written constitutions have served not to originate notions or even forms of government, but to express and to record political experience and their stability exists not in the fact that they are written, but in the fact that they bear faithful record of the better part of what we have discovered by arduous experience.

SECESSION DISCUSSED

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BOTH WERE RIGHT

The South in seceding from the Union was right from her point of view; the North in resisting secession was also right from her point of view.

GENERAL LEE'S CANDIDACY

General Lee returned to Richmond from Washington Sunday and will probably remain in this city several days before starting for Savannah to rejoin his command.

WHAT I SAID BEFORE ON THIS SUBJECT STILL HOLDS GOOD

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IN BEHALF OF THE WHEELMEN

A Strong Effort to Get Them a Track on Grace Street.

THE SCHEDULE ON MAIN STREET

The Company Explains Why They Cannot Make Time—Chesapeake and Ohio the Street to be Paved in Front of City Hall

The Street Committee was in session for nearly four hours last evening, and during that time the wheelmen of the city and the Electric Railway people both had their say.

PAVE TENTH STREET

The motion was voted down, however, and it was decided to spend that sum, as well as a further amount, to be contributed by the various wards or parishes in paving Tenth street in front of the City Hall with asphalt blocks.

THE RICHMOND WHEELMEN

Mr. Pollock, of the sub-committee, which was referred to the committee of the Richmond League of Wheelmen, asked for a grandiose gutter on Grace street.

HIS LEGS CUT OFF

Young Thomas Dolan Meets With a Fatal Accident. A most unfortunate accident took place Sunday afternoon near the Old Pump House, which resulted in the death of a youth named Thomas Dolan.

A HIRED GIRL TO-NIGHT

"A Hired Girl" a musical comedy by Charles E. Blaney will be the attraction at the Academy of Music to-night.

PREVENT DELAYS

There were only two ways to remedy this, he said; one was to prevent the Chesapeake and Ohio railway from causing these delays, and the other to stop the cars before they reached the street.

Case Sent On

A negro named Oscar Bonifant was in trial before Judge R. C. Fritchard and J. T. Lewis at Henrico County Court-house yesterday charged with attempting to shoot one Ed Jackson on October 23d.

Treated and Left

The city ambulance with Dr. Fitzhugh Lee in charge, was called to the Belle Vue Hotel at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon to attend Charles Gray, who had painfully lacerated a finger on his hand.

Regular Business Meeting

The Board of County Supervisors for Henrico county will hold its regular business meeting at the County Courthouse today.

3d as to what date the work would be completed.

Mr. King, the railway matter having been disposed of, asked Captain Gulgon whether it was true that the Richmond Telephone Company was putting more than one party on a single line, as he had heard rumored.

Captain Gulgon Replied

Captain Gulgon replied emphatically in the negative, and being on the subject, called the committee's attention to Colonel Charles E. McCluer's services having been secured as general manager of the Richmond Telephone Company.

THE CITY VAZANTIS

The clerk reported the following balances standing to the credit of the department: Police pay-roll, \$21,153.95; contingent fund, \$225.25; patrol-wagon fund, \$750.00; special contingencies fund, \$123.75.

THE UNION UNIVERSITY

Work is to be commenced forthwith on some of the buildings of Union University. At half past 2 o'clock this afternoon a number of friends of the work will assemble on the grounds near the Herndon Memorial College.

INTERESTING PERSONS

The Rev. B. C. Groom, who is in charge of the Lutheran Orphanage at Salem, preached two interesting sermons at the First English Evangelical Lutheran church on Sunday.

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Mother Goss Operaetta. The ladies of Chestnut Hill and Highland Park gave a very unique and beautiful entertainment at the North Side Hall, Thursday evening, October 27th.

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